



Natural Resources Conservation Service
101 South Main
Temple, Texas 76501

APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE

POULTRY MORTALITY ASSOCIATED WITH
IMPACTS OF HURRICANE RITA

Poultry farmers that have had catastrophic losses due to Hurricane Rita may qualify for financial assistance from NRCS working in cooperation with the local Soil and Water Conservation District. The assistance is available for the purpose of disposal of dead birds. All catastrophic losses and disposals on or after September 24, 2005, may be eligible. Assistance payments will be limited to \$1,250 for increments of up to 20,000 birds. Any pits will be constructed and sized according to NRCS specifications (attached) and recommendations.

I request assistance from NRCS and the _____ Soil & Water Conservation District to dispose of dead poultry. NRCS and district personnel are authorized to enter my property as necessary to assist for this purpose. I will instruct them of any special measures required for biosecurity purposes. Additionally, I understand that I will be responsible for placement of additional soil material if later needed due to subsidence over the pits (at my own expense). I certify that I have adequate landrights for disposal.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (printed): _____ SSN/Tax ID # _____

Address: _____ County: _____

Telephone: _____ WQMP: yes _____ no _____

Total number of birds on site pre-storm _____

Approx. number of birds to be disposed of _____ (Must exceed 0.3% of total to be eligible. WQMP not needed to be eligible.)

_____ (est. number of increments of 20,000 birds) x \$1250 = _____ = cost share

Application approved: _____ - District representative

Method of disposal: Burial _____ Other method (specify) _____

Final number of birds disposed of _____

_____ (number of increments of 20,000 birds) x \$1,250 = _____ final cost share

GPS coordinates of pits: Latitude _____ Longitude _____
(if pits used) Latitude _____ Longitude _____
Latitude _____ Longitude _____

Performance Certification: I certify that the dead bird disposal was done in accordance with NRCS specifications and any applicable state and federal laws.

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____

For NRCS use only: I recommend payment be made in the amount of _____.

District Conservationist: _____ Date: _____

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